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Local Boards

Construction of a road connecting South Kanara with Malabar.

* 669 Q.—MAHMUD SCHAMNAD SAHIB Bahadur: With reference to the answer to my supplementary question to question No. 127, dated 1st March 1927, will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state whether the South Kanara District Board has applied for grant for constructing a road connecting Malabar with South Kanara, and if so, what amount has been granted?

A.—The South Kanara District Board has not applied for any grant for the purpose. The Government have, however, called for proposals with plans for the construction of such a road.

Mr. J. A. SALDANHA:—"I want to know what the policy of the Government with regard to the road is—whether they treat it as a second class road or a trunk road?"

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN:—"The matter is under the consideration of the Government."

The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"Now I suppose all the questions are exhausted?"

Mr. BASHEER AHMAD SAYEED:—"Question No. 672, Sir."

The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"Question No. 672 was called when the hon. Member was present in the House."

III

ADJOURNMENT MOTION *RE* ERECTION OF THE PUMPING INSTALLATION ON THE PALAR.

* Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR:—"Sir, I wish to move the adjournment of the business of the House to discuss a definite matter of urgent public importance, to wit, the inordinate haste with which the Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway Company are pushing on with the work of erecting a powerful pumping installation on the bed of the Palar river, near Jalarpet junction, to the detriment of the interests of the ryots of the neighbourhood, and the callous indifference of the District Collector to the petitions of the affected ryots."

* The hon. the PRESIDENT:—"The hon. Member, by his motion, wants to discuss two subject matters: (1) The inordinate haste with which the Madras and Southern Mahratta Railway Company are pushing on with the work of a pumping installation; and (2) the callous indifference of the District Collector to the petitions of the ryots affected.

"Under rule 12 (2), not more than one matter can be discussed on the same motion, and the motion must be restricted to a specific matter of recent occurrence. Since the present motion refers to two matters, may I know how the hon. Member can say that it is in order?"

* Mr. T. ADINARAYANA CHETTIYAR:—"I would submit, Sir, that the motion really refers to only one matter, viz., the callous indifference of the District authorities. Sir, were it not for this, the Railway authorities would not have been able to push on with their scheme. If this matter had